

ed by E. E. Hasking, J. W. Smouse and others.

Moved and passed that the Secretary of the Convention be directed to furnish the different District Secretaries with a copy of the resolution with reference to Elder H. R. Holsinger.

Topic.—"Should there be uniformity in the observance of the rites and ordinances of the gospel?" Opened by J. B. Wampler.

The committee on credentials reported and ordered the Secretary to place the seal of the convention on the ministerial credentials.

#### FOURTH SESSION, SATURDAY 2 P. M.

The session was opened with devotional services, led by I. D. Bowman and J. C. Mackey.

The committee on Moderator's report, reported as follows:

1. That Brother Haskins be appointed to preside at the dedication of the Salisbury church with whom he may choose to assist him.

2. That we memorialize each local congregation to meet with adjoining congregations and determine the geographical lines which shall designate each pastorate or appointment.

3. That J. H. Knepper be nominated for State Statistician.

4. That J. H. Knepper be nominated as chairman of the committee on digest which he shall himself appoint.

5. That inasmuch as action has already been taken on several papers which have been presented to this conference, your committee would not recommend the appointment of a conference Editor at this time.

6. Your committee would recommend Johnstown, Pa., as the seat of the National Conference for 1897, and advise that secretary of the conference notify the National Conference Executive committee of our action. Carried.

*Resolved*, That this convention advises that no member should move out of his congregation without a letter of dismissal.

Nominations for secretary of church extension. I. D. Bowman and E. E. Haskins were the nominees. The vote was cast and resulted in the election of I. D. Bowman.

A motion was made that we pay 12½ per cent. of the State Mission money to the National Mission Board. Amended to pay 10 per cent. to the National Mission Board. Carried.

A paper was read by Miss Mary Olinger which was ordered sent to the EVANGELIST for publication. Moved and passed that when providing for the balance due the Evangelist for his services, pro-

vision be made also for the reimbursement of E. E. Haskin's expenses assolicitor for the Board.

A paper on "Systematic Beneficence" was read by Albert Trent, which was ordered sent to the EVANGELIST for publication.

A paper was read by J. B. Wampler and ordered sent to the EVANGELIST for publication.

The committee on parochial reports, reported and the report was accepted.

The Treasurer reported as follows:  
Am't of receipts from all sources, \$41.35  
Disbursements, 37.28

Balance in treasury, \$4.14

Moved and passed that we hold the next State Convention in the spring of the year.

The following officers were elected:  
Board of Appeals, Hiram Gouchnour, 3 years.

Board of Supply, Dr. U. M. Beachley, 3 years.

Trustees of Ashland University, D. J. Bole, 3 years, M. J. Beachy, 2 years.

Members of the Mission Board both for 3 years, J. D. Ripple, W. H. Menges.

Announcements. Benediction. Adjournment.

#### OFFICERS.

Moderator, J. H. Knepper.  
Ass't Moderator, J. F. Koontz.  
Secretary, M. C. Meyers.

#### Board of Supply:

	ELECTED	TIME
Stephen Hildebrand,	1895	3 yr
Dr. U. M. Beachley,	1896	3
J. B. Wampler,	1894	3

#### Board of Appeals:

J. H. Knepper,	1895	3
H. Gochnour,	1896	3
J. B. Wampler,	1894	3

#### Trustees of Ashland University:

D. J. Bole,	1896	3
M. C. Meyers,	1894	3
M. J. Beachy,	1896	2

#### Board of Missions:

Albert Trent,	1895	3
D. M. Smouse,	1895	3
J. D. Ripple,	1896	3
Wm. H. Menges,	1896	3
Daniel Crofford,	1894	3
R. Z. Replogle,	1894	3

#### FIFTH SESSION, SATURDAY 7:30.

Prayer and Praise Service, led by J. B. Wampler. Eight o'clock, sermon by R. E. Darling. Subject, "The Voice of God."

The Secretary of the Sister's Society of Christian Endeavor, Mrs. Minnie Parsons,

then read the report of their meeting held on Friday at 2 P. M. in the Reformed Church. A full report will be published by the secretary.

A paper was then read by J. C. Cassel, after which Mrs. L. E. Meyers gave a short practical talk on S. S. C. E. work.

Music. Announcements. Adjournment.

#### SABBATH MORNING, 10:30.

Divine worship and sermon by E. E. Haskins, after which the Salisbury church was dedicated to the service of God. 1:30 P. M., Sabbath-school, conducted by M. J. Beachy. 6:30 prayer and praise meeting led by J. C. Mackey, assisted by the choir. 8 o'clock, sermon by M. C. Meyers, subject, "The Knowledge of Christ." Music. Benediction by Eld. H. R. Holsinger, and the convention adjourned.

M. C. MEYERS, Sec.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, God in His goodness has permitted us to assemble in the eighteenth annual convention of the Brethren Church to encourage and help one another in the Sunday-school and church work, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we recognize the importance of all the great moral reform movements of the day, such as temperance, good citizenship, anti-secret society, moral purity and everything else purely intended for the elevation of human character, but that we studiously avoid the inculcation of the thought that any moral standard, however high, is sufficient to save aside from a regeneration by the power and Spirit of God.

*Resolved*, That our thanks are due to the moderators and officers of both Sunday-school and church conventions for their careful and deliberate supervision.

*Resolved*, We commend to all Sunday-school workers, especially teachers and officers, the great necessity of a good example, a thorough, consistent life as one of the means for good in the Master's work.

*Resolved*, That we try to inculcate in the minds of the pupils in our Sunday-schools the spirit of love, of sacrifice and of sympathy for suffering humanity even in foreign fields.

*Resolved*, That we urge the closer study of God's word, and more literal application of the whole Gospel.

*Resolved*, That the pastors and their people should co-operate for more advancement in Christian consecration and the Spirit of Christ like humility in their work.

*Resolved*, That the pastors and people of the respective churches put forth great-

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